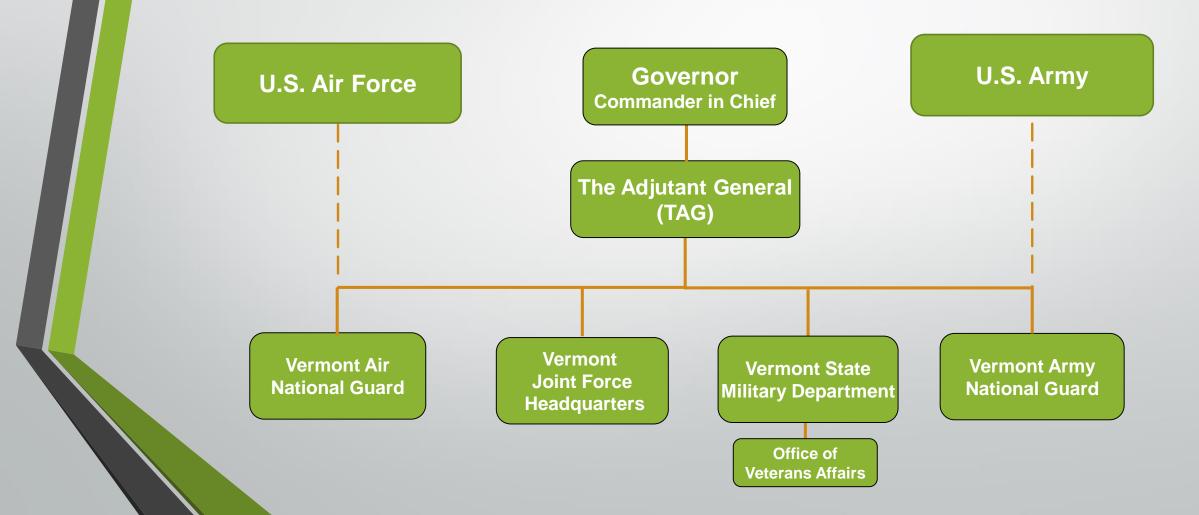
The Adjutant General Election

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Vermont National Guard Organizational Chart



What is the Adjutant General's Role?

- The Adjutant General (TAG) is the commanding officer of the Vermont National Guard
- Pursuant to 20 V.S.A. § 361(a), "The Military Department . . . shall be administered by the Adjutant and Inspector General and shall include the National Guard and all military components of the State."
- Each state and U.S. territory has an Adjutant General that leads its National Guard (32 U.S.C. § 312)

How is the Adjutant General Selected?

- In most states, the Adjutant General is appointed by the Governor.
- Vermont is the only state whose Adjutant General is elected by the Legislature.
- "The General Assembly shall biennially elect an Adjutant and Inspector General, who shall also be Quartermaster General with the rank of a major general." (20 V.S.A. § 363)

When is the Adjutant General Elected?

- The Adjutant General is elected at the beginning of each biennium.
- "At 10 o'clock and 30 minutes, forenoon, on the seventh Thursday after their biennial meeting and organization, the Senate and House of Representatives shall meet in joint assembly and proceed therein to elect the Adjutant and Inspector General" (2 V.S.A. § 10(a))
- This biennium's election falls on February 18, 2021.

Any Questions?